

Human Services Council Meeting  
May 16, 2016, 7:30 PM  
MEETING MINUTES

MEMBER NAME		MEMBER NAME	
Kevin H. Bell, Chair	<i>Present</i>	Martin Machowsky	<i>Present</i>
Col. Marion (Barney) Barnwell	<i>Present</i>	Michele Menapace	<i>Present</i>
Steven Bloom	<i>Present</i>	Stephanie Mensh	<i>Excused</i>
Jeff Dannick	<i>Excused</i>	Audrey Morton	<i>Present</i>
Jack Dobbyn	<i>Absent</i>	Dr. Gerald (Jerry) Poje	<i>Present</i>
Robert Faherty	<i>Present</i>	Dr. Sergio Rimola	<i>Present</i>
Rev. Dr. Jerrold Foltz	<i>Present</i>	Rev. Alexis Vaughan Kassim	<i>Absent</i>
William Kogler	<i>Excused</i>	Adrienne Walters	<i>Excused</i>
		Henry Wulf	<i>Present</i>
<b>Staff:</b>			
Michelle Gregory, Department of Neighborhood and Community Services (NCS)			<i>Present</i>
Patricia Harrison, Deputy County Executive			<i>Excused</i>
Gail Ledford, Department of Administration for Human Services (DAHS)			<i>Excused</i>
Ron McDevitt, Department of Administration for Human Services (DAHS)			<i>Present</i>
Tracy Steffek, Department of Neighborhood and Community Services (NCS)			<i>Excused</i>

Guests and County Staff: Rosalyn Foroobar, Carita Parks, George Becerra, Gordon Jarrett, Lee Ann Pender, Kimberly Adams

**7:45 p.m. – Welcome and Overview –** Chairman Kevin Bell opened the meeting updating the Council on budget related activities. The Chairman announced that Henry Wulf would be retiring from the Human Services Council. The announcement was followed by an acknowledgement of his dedicated service and historic contributions to human services. Henry represents the Providence District and was appointed to the Human Services Council in 1998. He was most recently reappointed by Supervisor Smyth, but will end his term early to address personal matters. Henry will continue to attend meetings until a formal appointment is made to fill this position.

**FY2017 Budget Update –** Ron McDevitt reviewed the final FY 2017 Budget Markup and FY 2018 Budget Plan Recommendations. The Council highlighted items related to human services that were discussed at the April meeting. This included the \$7.5 million held in reserve for recommendations resulting from the Ad-Hoc Police Practices Review Commission. Recommendations in the package noted by the Council included; the joint Board of Supervisors/School Board work related to children and youth as well as efforts to address sexual violence and human trafficking, county and schools infrastructure development costs, employee compensation, tax relief for the elderly, and a Meals Tax.

**Proposed 2016 Ballot Question: Meals Tax -** Several documents were reviewed to inform the Council on the current status of the Meals Tax. The Council thoroughly discussed the proposed allocation split between Fairfax County Public Schools and Fairfax County Government. Significant concern was shared about resources available to support growing needs in human services, while recognizing the benefit of potential revenue from a new source. After much discussion, the Council decided to send a memo to the Board of Supervisors acknowledging their support of the proposed Meals Tax referendum as well as the ongoing challenges in funding for human services programming.

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**Announcements** - Michelle Menapace noted that she had a recent conversation with Karen Corbett Sanders, from the FCPS Board, to discuss how the Council could learn more about FCPS future planning efforts that may impact human services. In particular, there was discussion about future use of facilities to support services for youth. The Council will invite FCPS representatives to a future meeting once there is more detailed information to share.

**Approval of Minutes** – The meeting minutes from April 21, 2016, were approved.

**Adjournment** –The next full membership meeting will be held on Monday, June 20, 2016, at Fairfax County Government Center in Conference Rooms 4 & 5. The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.